

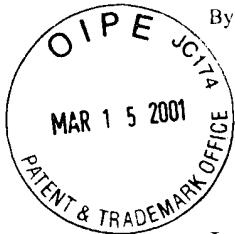
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

McGALL, GLENN H.

Application No.: 09/659,599

Filed: September 11, 2000

For: SYNTHESIS OF OLIGONUCLEOTIDE
ARRAYS USING PHOTOCLEAVABLE
PROTECTING GROUPS

Examiner: TBD

Art Unit: 1626

PETITION UNDER 37 CFR
§§ 1.181, 1.182, or 1.183

The Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.181, 1.182, or 1.183 to allow Applicant to submit electronic copies (on a CD-ROM) of references cited in an IDS and officially make these references of record. Applicant is attempting to reduce the paper filed by Applicant, while ensuring a complete examination.

Authorization to charge the \$130.00 fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h) to Deposit Account 01-0431 is hereby granted. Applicant believes no other fee is due in connection with this petition. If an additional fee is due, please charge our Deposit

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Account No. 01-0431. If this petition is considered under 37 C.F.R. § 1.181 and no fee is due, please credit the above Deposit Account No.

Dated: March 12, 2001

Respectfully submitted,



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